



TOWN OF ROCKLAND

Board of Selectmen

Town Hall
242 Union Street
Rockland, Massachusetts 02370

Telephone: 781-871-1874
Fax: 781-871-0386

Open Session MINUTES of May 17, 2016

Chairman:

Edward F. Kimball

Vice Chairman:

Larry J. Ryan

Selectmen:

Michael P. Johnson

Korey M. Welch

Michael P. Mullen, Jr.

Town Administrator:

Allan R. Chiocca

Executive Assistant:

Susan M. Ide

SELECTMEN'S MEETING Tuesday, May 17, 2016 @ 7 p.m.

**H. BERNARD MONAHAN MEMORIAL ROOM
TOWN HALL, 242 UNION STREET
ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE MOS

Chairman Kimball read:

The audience, participants and general public should be aware that any and all portions of this open meeting may be recorded by audio and video resources. All or some of this meeting may be rebroadcast periodically by WRPS or other outlets. Persons wanting a DVD copy of this meeting should contact WRPS or the BOS office. A small fee will be charged.

1. OPEN FORUM

-Eagle Scout Timothy Letourneau presentation

The BOS presented Timothy Letourneau a plaque in recognition of him attaining the rank of Eagle Scout. Mr. Letourneau repaired and repainted a community building in Abington for his project.

MINUTES

2. Open Session Minutes of May 2, 2016

~MOTION to approve by Mr. Ryan, 2nd by Mr. Welch, passed 5-0.

3. Open Session Minutes of May 3, 2016

~MOTION to approve by Mr. Ryan, 2nd by Mr. Welch, passed 5-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4. Special Election Warrant Ballot

TA Chiocca read the Special Election Warrant into the record.

~MOTION to approve to Special Election Warrant by Mr. Ryan, 2nd by Mr. Welch, passed 5-0.

5. Appointments continued;

2016 APPOINTMENTS BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN FOR BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

Council on Aging (3 Year Term)

Jean Callahan – 7 Fir Circle
Cynda Childs – 24 Lancaster Street

~MOTION to approve by Mr. Johnson, 2nd by Mr. Welch, passed 5-0.

Plymouth County Advisory Board

Michael P. Mullen, Jr. – 127 Levin Road

~MOTION to approve by Mr. Johnson, 2nd by Mr. Ryan, passed 5-0.

Taxation Aid Committee (Annual Appointment)

Patricia Penney – 30 Centre Avenue

~MOTION to approve by Mr. Mullen, 2nd by Mr. Welch, passed 5-0.

Zoning Board of Appeals (5 Year Appointment)

The ZBA is charged with hearing petitions from property owners from the zoning by-laws. Also acts as an appeal board on decision made by the Zoning Enforcement Officer.

Robert Rosa – 474 Beech Street

~MOTION to approve by Mr. Mullen, 2nd by Mr. Welch, passed 5-0.

NOTE:

Mr. Ryan recused himself and left the room at this time as his sister is the President of the Leisurewoods Homeowners Association.

Rent Control Board (3 Year Term)

Mark Baptitse – Hillcrest – 988 Middleboro Road, E. Taunton

Kimberly DiCenso – Hometown America – 56 Loretta Avenue

Estelle Stoddard – Leisurewoods – 2 Dogwood Circle

William Burt-Leisurewoods- 4 Honeysuckle Lane

There was long discussion regarding the resident appointee opening on the Rent Control Board.

~MOTION to approve Estelle Stoddard as the Park Resident and Kim DiCenso as a Park Owner's Representative by Mr. Mullen, 2nd by Mr. Welch, passed 4-0.

Mr. Baptistse application was postponed pending Attorney Clifford's review of the residency requirement question.

6. FEMA reimbursements

TA Chiocca announced Rockland has received \$401,713.95 in FEMA reimbursements from the federally declared Snow disaster of February 2015.

7. Surplus Vehicles declarations

Request of the Highway Superintendent to declare a 2008 F350 as surplus for trade towards a cab chassis with tree chipper body

~MOTION to approve by Mr. Johnson, 2nd by Mr. Welch, passed 5-0.

Request of the Fire Chief to declare the 1988 GMC Fire Engine as surplus.

~MOTION to approve by Mr. Johnson, 2nd by Mr. Welch, passed 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

8. Relocation of poles- National Grid

The BOS was requested to approved 2 pole relocations on Hingham Street

~MOTION to approve by Mr. Mullen, 2nd by Mr. Welch, passed 5-0.

9. Year-end budget account transfers- No Items

10. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE

-Thanked Patricia Foley and her daughter Maura for planting flowers in the Union St. containers throughout the business district.

-Fire Chief Duffey has requested the BOS to establish a Fire Station Study Committee.

~MOTION to request volunteers to serve on a Fire Station Study Committee by Mr. Johnson, 2nd by Mr. Welch, passed 5-0.

-Discussed the upcoming Memorial Day Parade and flagging of the cemeteries.

-Announced the Shoe Collection Fundraiser for the Memorial Park School.

-Discussed the new Town Hall Hours again.

SELECTMAN'S COMMENTS

Comments and opinions expressed by individual members do not necessarily reflect the views of all of the BOS and are the opinions and comments of only the individual member.

Mr. Mullen -Requested the Board of Health come to the next BOS meeting to discuss the new collection system being instituted in Rockland.

- Mr. Welch** -Recognized the efforts made for the successful Kiwanis Bike Rodeo.
-Enjoyed his recent visit to Southfield.
- Mr. Johnson** -Thanked the Park Dept. and everyone involved in the Bike Rodeo.
-Appreciated the efforts of Open Space and the School students cleaning up the Rail Trail.
- Mr. Ryan** -Great Bike Rodeo congratulations to all involved.
-Announced the Fishing Derby will be held on June 4th.
- Mr. Kimball** -Discussed Rent Control
-Urged support of the 2 debt exclusion questions.
-Applauded the Open Space efforts

31. EXECUTIVE SESSION –No Session

MOTION to adjourn by Mr. Ryan, 2nd by Mr. Welch, passed 5-0.

Meeting ended at 9:10 p.m.


Allan R. Chiocca
Town Administrator


Larry Ryan, Vice-Chairman
for the Rockland Board of Selectman

The listings of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.